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OUR REFERENCE: SABI-1-21715

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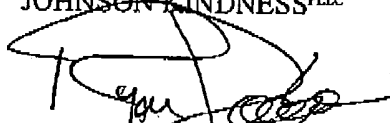
Dear Examiner Avila:

Per your telephone conversation with my assistant, Mary Prior, on Monday, August 9, 2004, a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement that was originally filed with the application, including our postcard acknowledging receipt by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, are enclosed. It is our understanding that the second page of the IDS was lost or misplaced during or prior to scanning. If possible, prior to issuance of the patent, please review the references listed on the previously submitted page 2. If they do not raise any issues of patentability, a Supplemental Notice of Allowability would be appreciated.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call me directly at 206.695.1724. Please include our above-referenced file number in all correspondence regarding this matter.

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